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1. REGRET EMBASSY CAIRO MISLED BY ENGLISH LANGUAGE
PRESS ARTICLE WHICH APPARENTLY DISTORTED AS TO ATTRIBU-
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PRESS INTERVIEWS.

2. PRESS ARTICLE APPARENTLY BASED ON INFORMATION BULLETIN APRIL 30 (COPY BEING POUCHED DEPT AND CAIRO) MAILED FROM COMATT OFFICE TO LIMITED LIST OF AMERICAN RPT AMERICAN FIRMS RESIDENT BEIRUT. BULLETIN CONTAINED ONLY VERBATIM QUOTES WITH MINOR EDITING OF UNCLASSIFIED BAGHDAD 0210 (COPY BEING POUCHED CAIRO) QUOTE EXPORT OPPORTUNITIES IN IRAQ UNQUOTE AND UNCLASSIFIED CAIRO 2430 QUOTE FOREIGN INVESTMENT CLIMATE, EGYPT UNQUOTE, WITH OMISSION PARA SIX ON TOURISM WHICH WE DID NOT RPT NOT BELIEVE WOULD INTEREST BEIRUT BUSINESSMEN. BAGHDAD REQUESTED RTDO AND USDOC PUBLICATION AND DISSEMINATION OF PARAGRAPHS ONE TO NINE WHICH WAS DONE. DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION IN CAIRO 2430 BASED ON FACT IT IN RESPONSE TO UNCLASSIFIED STATE 053933 REQUESTING NARRATIVE STATEMENT ON INVESTMENT CLIMATE TO BE QUOTE PUBLISHED AND DISTRIBUTED TO BUSINESSMEN AND ORGANIZATIONS UNQUOTE. IN VIEW THEIR DESTINED BUSINESS PUBLICATION RTDO SUGGESTED AND COMATT CONCURRED THAT DISSEMINATION THESE UNCLASSIFIED MESSAGES TO AMERICAN BUSINESS COMMUNITY BEIRUT, WHICH VERY INTERESTED IN EGYPTIAN AND IRAQI DEVELOPMENTS, DESIRABLE.

3. SHOULD RECOGNIZE THAT CAIRO PRESS ARTICLE UNDOUBTEDLY DISTORTS INFORMATION CONTAINED IN OUR MAILING. FOR EXAMPLE, PHRASE QUOTE PRESIDENT SADAT'S NEW PRO-AMERICAN SWING UNQUOTE IS NEITHER CAIRO'S NOR OURS.

4. TRUST FOREGOING CLARIFIES MATTER. WOULD APPRECIATE TEXT CAIRO PRESS ACCOUNT AND ANY INFO AVAILABLE CAIRO AS TO ITS SOURCE. GODLEY

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